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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Policy Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Policy).

ACTION: Federal Advisory Committee Meeting Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice to announce the following Federal advisory committee meeting of the Defense Policy Board (DPB). This meeting will be closed to the public.

DATES: Quarterly Meeting: Monday, September 21, 2015, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. and Tuesday, September 22, 2015, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The Pentagon, 2000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Ann Hansen, 2000 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-2000. Phone: (703) 571-9232.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. § 552b, as amended) (“the Sunshine Act”), and the Federal Advisory Committee Management Act; Final Rule 41 CFR parts 101-6 and 102-3 (“the FACA Final Rule”).

Purpose of Meeting: To obtain, review and evaluate classified information related to the DPB’s mission to advise on: (a) issues central to strategic DoD planning; (b) policy implications of U.S. force structure and force modernization and on DoD’s ability to execute U.S. defense strategy;

(c) U.S. regional defense policies; and (d) other research and analysis of topics raised by the Secretary of Defense, the Deputy Secretary or the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

Meeting Agenda: Beginning at 8:30 a.m. on September 21 through the end of the meeting on September 22, the DPB will have secret through top secret (SCI) level discussions on national security issues regarding geopolitical implications of China's island "reclamation" program.

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to the Sunshine Act and the FACA Final Rule, the Department of Defense has determined that this meeting shall be closed to the public. The Under Secretary of Defense (Policy), in consultation with the Department of Defense FACA Attorney, has determined in writing that this meeting be closed to the public because the discussions fall under the purview of Section 552b(c)(1) of the Sunshine Act and are so inextricably intertwined with unclassified material that they cannot reasonably be segregated into separate discussions without disclosing secret or higher classified material.

Committee's Designated Federal Officer or Point of Contact: Ann Hansen, osd.pentagon.ousd-policy.mbx.defense-board@mail.mil.

Written Statements: Pursuant to 41 CFR §§ 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140(c) and section 10(a)(3) of the FACA, the public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the membership of the DPB at any time regarding its mission or in response to the stated agenda of a planned meeting. Written statements should be submitted to the DPB's Designated Federal Officer (DFO); the DFO's contact information is listed in this notice or it can be obtained from the GSA's FACA Database – <http://www.facadatabase.gov/>.

Written statements that do not pertain to a scheduled meeting of the DPB may be submitted at any time. However, if individual comments pertain to a specific topic being discussed at a planned meeting, then these statements must be submitted no later than five business days prior

to the meeting in question. The DFO will review all submitted written statements and provide copies to all committee members.

Dated: August 28, 2015.

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